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1. LURIE WAS IN TOUCH WITH US AGAIN JULY 2. HE WILL ARRIVE CAIRO FROM NICOSIA JULY 10 FOR SIX DAYS (STAYING AT HILTON). WHEN RECENTLY IN WASHINGTON HE WAS GIVEN NAME OF PAO PENNY AND WILL SEEK TO CONTACT PENNY OR POLITICAL OFFICER UPON ARRIVAL.

2. LURIE SAID HE WANTED TO BETREATED AS JOURNALIST DURING EGYPT VISIT. HE WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH AL AHRAM AND AKHBAR EDITORS AND IS HOPING FOR INTERVIEW WITH MRS(SIC) SADAT AND TOUR OF CANAL AREA. HE SAID PURPOSE OF HIS VISIT WAS TO INVESTIGATE EGYPTIAN INTENTIONS TO REBUILD CANAL AREA AND ECONOMY GENERALLY AND TO PURSUE PERIOD OF MIDDLE EAST CALM. DURING HIS THIRTY DAY VISIT TO ISRAEL JUST ENDING, HE HAD FOUND CONSIDERABLE HOPE AMONG ISRAELIS THAT EGYPT WAS SERIOUS ABOUT CREATING SITUATION OF

BELLIGERENCY.

3. LURIE MENTIONED THAT HIS PREVIOUS VISIT TO EGYPT HAD BEEN IN 1963. HE HAD RECIEVED COURTEOUS TREATMENT DESPITE FACT EGYPTIANS WERE FULLY AWARE HE WAS THEN NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT CONFIDENTIAL

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OF JERUSALEM POST. AFTER 1963 VISIT HE WROTE PEICE FOR HADASSAH

MAGAZINE ON LIFE OF JEWS IN CAIRO WHICH HE SAID WAS NON
CONTROVERSIAL AND NOT CRITICAL OF GOE.

4. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR EMBASSY CAIRO TO ASSIST LURIE.

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